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In re the application of:

Fischetti, et al.

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For: Means for the Prophylactic and Therapeutic Treatment of
Group A Streptococcal Infections

The Honorable Commissioner of
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

This amendment and reply is in response to the Office Action
of April 14, 1999.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims from the preliminary amendment:

--26 (twice amended). A pharmaceutical composition for use in
the [therapeutic or prophylactic] treatment of a streptococcal
infection, comprising:

an effective amount of [Group C streptococcal phage
associated] lysin enzyme produced by group C streptococcal bacteria
infected with a C1 bacteriophage; and

a carrier for delivering said lysin enzyme to a mouth, throat,